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"Say, Lisset!"

A CAT IS LIKE
A BOOMERANG;
IT ALWAYS COMES
BACK.



Didsbury Holds Mitchell Cup

Keen interest is being taken in the curling here this year and the game is being played up to a standard which has never been excelled here before. The Cup schedule is well on its way and the rinks are now beginning to show signs of stringing out with some taking a good lead and others falling behind.

Messrs. Miller and Hardy respectively, still hold the gold and silver buttons. The Wednesday night challenges were postponed to Saturday night on account of Innisfail playing here Wednesday night.

Last Friday night two rinks went to Olds as challengers for the Mitchell Cup which Olds has held since last year. The senior rink was composed of Miller skip, Hugot, Reed and McGhee while the green rink was composed of Freeman skip, Klayholt, Holmes and Shepherd. After two fairly good games both the home rinks won. Miller's rink against Gooder skip, Scott, Golay and Duff won 15 to 11 and Freeman's against Hinton skip, Fisher, Shennett, and Gooder won 14 to 10. Freeman had to allow Olds 2 points for using Shepherd, who is a second year man. This left the total score 27-21 in Didsbury's favor.

Innisfail were the next challengers on the list and played here on Wednesday night. These games were much harder fought for and as all rinks were playing above standard the curling was of premier quality. Miller, skipping the same rink played Wagner skip, Kirkham, Watt and Bye and Freeman skip with Holmes, Klayholt and Fleury played Kremer skip, Schwerdtfer, Elossie and Todeschini. Didsbury started out well and for the first half of the game had a fair lead, then Innisfail began to catch up and the game was anybody's from then on. In the last, the sixteenth end the score was 5 to 11 favor of Wagner and 11 to 15 favor of Freeman, making the total score tied. In the extra end Didsbury came well to the front Miller counting 4 and Freeman 1. Thus the total score was 31 to 26 in Didsbury's favor.

President Wood in his address strongly emphasized the necessity of support of the wheat pool, stating that wheat was the logical product to start with in the efficient marketing of farm products as it represents more cash value than any other one product.

He also warned the members against "political bossism" which he stated had started to rear its head again in Alberta during the last year. The press, as usual, came in for some slams, and Autocracy vs. Democracy dwelt on in relation to the farmer was also another theme on which Mr. Wood spoke.

Death of Wm. Siebert

Passed away, very peacefully, on January 9th, 1924, at the General Hospital, Didsbury Alberta, Mr. William Siebert, aged 84 yrs. He was one of the pioneers of the vicinity of Siebertville having lived in the province of Alberta for twenty years, who was very highly esteemed by all neighbors and friends. Mr. Siebert was very consistent in his Christian profession, and was a liberal contributor in his church and to all benevolent causes. He was a man of strong convictions and possessed a wonderful memory, and will be missed very much by all.

On December 30th while going outdoors, he unfortunately fell and broke his leg. The best available care was tendered by doctors and nurses but death claimed him on the above mentioned date. The funeral took place from the Evangelical church and interment was made in the Didsbury cemetery.

His beloved wife and one daughter predeceased him a few years ago, those remaining are, Mrs. Wm. Rupp of Didsbury, Mrs. W. E. Rieder of Cartairs, Henry and August of Canada, Kansas, William of Kansas, Aaron of Roethern Saak, Levi of Calgary, Edwin, Ezra and Milton of Cartairs, who were all able to attend the funeral. He has also three brothers living, Christian in Florida and Charles and August in Oregon. Among those who came a great distance was a brother of Mr. Wm. Rupp, from Marion, Kansas. The bereaved family has the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

OPENING OF LEGISLATURE
The date for the opening of the 1924 Session of the Legislature has been fixed for Monday, January 28th. Several bills have already been sent to the printers to be ready for the Session. The new liquor act and a new election bill will be among the important measures for the Session.

Change In Government Financing

Radical changes in the accounting system of the provincial government, calculated to tighten control of the executive council over all expenditures; to effect considerable economy in elimination of duplication of records and reduction of staffs, and to place the province on a more sound financial footing generally, were put into effect by the government at the beginning of the new year. These changes are the main features of a new policy which has been under consideration by the government since the completion of the special audit made in 1922, and the new system has been installed subsequent to the appointment last September of James C. Thompson as provincial auditor.

Briefly, the new system will accomplish the following important results, which were not possible under the system which has been in effect in past years:

All departmental purchases will be supervised.

All commitments will be audited and checked before the expenditures are incurred, and not after the bills have been received, as has been the case in the past.

A central accounting system will be established whereby the actual financial standing of the province may be ascertained on short notice at any time.

The accounts of the province will be placed on a revenue and expenditure basis.

No commitments will be authorized after an appropriation has once been exhausted.

Under the new system revenue will be made to consist of cash actually collected on income account during the fiscal year, and revenue earned but not collected will be considered as a deferred asset until collected.

Expenditure will be made to include all liabilities incurred during

the fiscal year. Unpaid accounts at the end of the year will not be permitted to encumber the appropriations of the succeeding year, but will be charged to, and form part of, the expenditure of the year to which they belong.

The new system will provide that the net surplus or deficit will consist of the difference between income actually collected and expenditures not only actually made but also incurred. This is calculated to put the province on a much more sound financial basis.

Purchasing Agent

A purchasing agent will be appointed shortly and substantial economies, it is expected, will be effected by control and centralization of purchasing. In the meantime a supervisor of purchases will check and collect statistics on all government purchasing.

One of the most important changes effected is the establishment of the pre-audit of all commitments, before orders are issued and expenditures made. Once an appropriation has been exhausted no further expenditures will be authorized save by order in council.

Under the new centralized accounting system the machinery is provided for the executive council to control more effectively all revenues and expenditures, and it will be possible for the cabinet to receive from time to time a statement reflecting the exact financial standing of the province.

The installation of the new system involves no increase in staff, in fact, considerable economy will be effected through the elimination of duplication in records, and consequent reduction in staff.

The tendency of the new system will be to increase the efficiency of governmental departments, with a reduction of expenditures, a greater control over the finances, and a more sound financial basis for the province.

DAIRY CONVENTION

Preparations are now under way for the Annual Provincial Dairy Convention to be held in Edmonton at the Macdonald Hotel, January 23, 24 and 25. In view of the great success of the new cream grading system, and the effect this system has had in placing Alberta butter on the world's markets, the subject of grading is to play a big part in the program of the convention and will be discussed in all its phases. Special emphasis is also to be laid on problems of the producers. Prominent speakers will be present, including one or two noted dairy experts from outside the province. A banquet will be held the second evening of the convention.

REBATE TO IMMIGRANTS

It has been announced by Hon. J. A. Robb, minister of immigration and colonization, that an arrangement has been completed with the British government whereby a 20 per cent. preference rate on Atlantic passages for all British immigrants settling in Canada will be put into operation on March 1 of this year. This preference will be paid by the shipping companies and will amount to \$15 per passage.

Capital \$ 8,000,000
Reserve and
Undivided Profits 2,067,074
Total Assets 128,299,679

The Bank's Annual Statement has just been issued and copies thereof are available for anyone, on application, at any branch of the bank.

UNION BANK OF CANADA

Didsbury Branch : : : : : A. E. Ryan, Manager
Cartairs Branch : : : : : J. W. Gillman, Manager

Didsbury Opera House

SPECIAL—THURS., FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JAN. 17, 18, 19
"RUGGLES OF RED GAP"

A special feature that is different and one that you will all enjoy

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 23rd 9 P. M. to 2 A. M.

Big Dance

Music by "5 Calgarians" Admission \$1.25 Lunch 25c. each

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JAN. 25th & 26th AT 8.30 P. M.

"THE GO-GETTER"

A melodrama of the first order with lots of action.

JAN. 31st, FEB. 1st & 2nd SPECIAL THREE DAYS--8.30 P. M.

Maria Davies in

"WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER"

ANNOUNCEMENT

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INSURANCE

Fire, Life, Hail, Etc.

If its insurance give us a call.

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*When it's really cold
there's nothing like
Hot Bovril*

THE OLD HOME IN ONTARIO

is the place around which centres the tenderest memories of many who are now citizens of Western Canada. All such have now a splendid opportunity to visit the scenes of their youth, to meet and once again to greet their old friends and acquaintances. Beginning 5th of December, the Railways are offering attractive rates to Eastern Canada. Come and bring the wife and kiddies too and when in Toronto stop at the WALKER HOUSE or the CARLS-RITE HOTEL where special attention is given to Ladies and Children who are unaccompanied.

THE WALKER HOUSE

The House of Plenty

THE HOTEL CARLS-RITE

The House of Comfort

where George Wright and E. M. Carroll (both formerly of the West) are proprietors. Attractive rates on European and American Plans. No reasonable request of a Parent for special food for the Kiddies is ever refused.

It Pays To Advertise

Some years ago a comedy under the above name was presented in the theatres throughout the country. It proved extremely popular and had a long and successful run because it was not only screamingly funny, but it was based on truth. That advertising pays is fully recognized by the big business men of the world; in fact, it is because they recognized this truth that most of them are today in the class of Big Business, and it is through advertising that they retain their position there. This is something the men in the class of "small" business should recognize.

We have read of the man who was once induced to place an advertisement in a paper and who was later approached to repeat the experiment. He emphatically refused and when asked for his reason declared that as a result of his advertisement he had sold out his entire stock of the article advertised in one day and had been compelled to get an entirely new stock. Then there is the story of the man who declared that advertising had ruined his business, and, when a friend remarked: "Why, I never knew you advertised," he replied: "I didn't, but my competitor did." These may be jokes, but they are crammed full of truth nevertheless.

The power of publicity in business development and growth was recently described at a convention in New York. The production of the raisin industry in California was 140,000,000 pounds a year. A national advertising campaign was inaugurated and in four years a full capacity of production has been reached, namely, 328,000,000 pounds, a gain of considerably more than the original total production. Land for raisin growing which formerly sold for \$150 to \$300 an acre, has increased to \$750 to \$1,250 an acre.

Why is it that the people of the United States in 1922 spent \$100,000,000 for chewing gum, \$63,000,000 for cosmetics, \$145,000,000 for scented toilet soaps, \$150,000,000 for hair nets, and \$800,000,000 on patent medicines? Large-ly because the big business men who produce these articles are among the greatest advertisers in the world, so much so that it well nigh impossible to pick up a newspaper or magazine without having these articles forced on your attention.

Some years ago the writer of this article had a conversation with the manufacturer of what is probably Canada's best known patent medicine, and out of the sale of which he had amassed millions. This manufacturer stated that out of every package he sold he set aside one-half of the money received as an advertising appropriation to encourage further sales. In the year in question he spent one and a quarter million dollars in advertising. Asked why, with his medicine so well known, he did not top off say the quarter million and add it to his profits, he emphatically stated that, on the contrary, he would spend even more.

It is sometimes argued by the man in small business that while advertising is all right for Big Business it is a waste of money on the part of a small business. That is just where small business makes its mistake. Advertising rightly directed is never wasted, and the merchant in a small town or village who does not advertise, not spasmodically but persistently and intelligently, and in the best way to reach his own circle of possible purchasers, namely, through his local paper, is neglecting a great opportunity and leaving the door wide open for his greatest competitor, the mail order house, to capture business which rightfully he should enjoy.

Another mistake made by many a man in the small business class is that in times of business depression, when it becomes necessary to retrench, he cuts off or reduces his advertising, thinking thereby to reduce expenditures. He does reduce expenditures, but to an even greater extent he reduces the volume of his business upon which depends his ability to meet all those expenses he cannot reduce. "Big Business" does not do this; on the contrary, it increases its advertising, possibly reduces prices slightly and goes after increased volume and the largest possible turnover, thereby making more money through increased sales although at a smaller margin of profit on each sale.

Despite "hard times" the pulp and paper business has expanded enormously and newsprint consumption continues high, the reason being that even in the worst periods of industrial depression newspaper advertising has continued at high levels. During "hard times" the merchant, big or small, who merely waits for business to come to him, instead of going after it, is the one least likely to successfully weather the storm.

Nerves So Bad That She Would Sit and Cry

Mrs. Mary Hocking, Madoc, Ont., writes:

"Dr. Chase's Nerve Food has done me a wonderful lot of good. I suffered from general weakness and was so run down and my heart and nerves were in such bad shape that I would sit down and cry and not know what I was crying about. I also used to have weak spells. Thanks to Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, however, I am real well now. I shall always keep a box of the Nerve Food in the house, and recommend them to my friends; they are a wonderful medicine."

(Mr. J. W. Vince, Druggist, of Madoc, Ont., says: "I have sold Mrs. Hocking your Nerve Food, and the medicine has done her much good.")

DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD

50 Cents a box, all dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto



WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

The business of the League of Nations is to make it possible for governments to act in unity in accomplishing things and not to take governmental machinery into its own hands, Lord Robert Cecil told the council of the league.

No action by the department of labor is contemplated at the present time following the decision of the maintenance of way and railroad shopmen throughout Canada to take a strike vote. Hon. James Murdoch, minister of labor, has stated.

Retail prices throughout Canada for November showed a very slight average advance over the previous month, and also an increase over the average for a year ago. General indications are that the post-war deflation has now exhausted itself.

S. A. Flory, a captain in the Swedish navy, who in June, 1922, attained an altitude of 19,256.88 feet in a hydro airplane with one passenger, will be recognized by the Swedish Aerial Club as holder of the world's altitude record for a hydroplane.

Measures to conserve British Columbia's fur-bearing animals from total extinction are contemplated by legislation by Hon. A. M. Manson, attorney-general. Under Mr. Manson's amendment to the game act, no aliens except bona fide farmers will be allowed to trap fur-bearing animals.

Mr. Gray Silver, of the American Farm Bureau Federation, declares that agriculture in the United States needs a strong foreign policy that will tend to open up new markets, a change in the tariff to prevent discrimination, and possible provision for international barter to open the German market.

THE CAUSE OF SICKNESS

Almost Always Due to Weak and Impoverished Blood

Apart from accident or illness due to infection, almost all ill-health arises from one or two reasons. The mistake that people make is in not realizing that both of these have the same cause at the root, namely poor blood. Elther bloodiness or some other trouble of the nerves will be found to be the reason for almost every ailment. If you are pale, suffering from headaches, or breathlessness, with palpitation of the heart, poor appetite and weak indigestion, the cause is almost always poor blood. If you have nervous headaches, neuralgia, sciatica and other nerve pains, the cause is exhausted nerves. But run down nerves are also a result of poor blood, so that the two chief causes of illness are one and the same.

If your health is poor; if you are pale, nervous or dyspeptic, you should give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a fair trial. These pills act directly on the blood, and by enriching it give new strength to worn out nerves. Men and women alike greatly benefit through the use of this medicine. If you are weak or ailing, give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a fair trial and you will be pleased with the beneficial results that will speedily follow.

If your dealer does not keep these pills you can get them by mail at 50 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Fiji Islanders put a certain drug in the water which stupefies the fish there and allows them to be taken at will.

For Sprains and Bruises.—There is nothing better for sprains and contusions than Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. It will reduce the swelling that follows a sprain, will cool the inflamed flesh and draw the pain. It will take the ache out of a bruise by counteracting the inflammation. A trial will convince any who doubt its power.

French and Germans Fraternize

Engage in Football Match and Cheer Each Other at Conclusion of Game

"We are glad to meet in sport and forget politics" was the greeting of the captain of a German association football club in introducing 10 other members of his team to the captain of a team composed of French civilians stationed at Mayence, when, for the first time since 1914, German and French athletes met in competition.

"Sport makes brothers of us all," responded the captain of the French players, and the members of both teams warmly shook hands.

At the conclusion of the match, which was won by the French, five goals to nothing, the two teams cheered each other.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Pain

Gift Received By Alberta University

Rockefeller Foundation Grants \$500,000 For Upkeep Of Medical School

The University of Alberta announces that it has received a grant of \$500,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation for the upkeep of the medical school. Dr. Pearce, medical director of the foundation, visited Edmonton some time ago, and was so satisfied with the conditions developing at the University that he recommended that the Foundation pay the yearly interest on \$500,000 to aid in the development of the medical school.

Last year the medical school received class A standing from the American Medical Association, and this autumn Dr. Pearce communicated with the University and stated that he was prepared to recommend to the Rockefeller Foundation the handing over of the capital of \$500,000 to the university. The foundation at a board meeting on December 6 formally approved of the recommendation.

For Aches, Pains The Safe Home Remedy

NERVILINE

When sudden sickness comes, when the kiddies come in with colds, their little chests and throats sore from coughing, quick results always follow a vigorous rubbing with good old Nerviline. It'll Cramps, Colic, Diarrhoea, Nerviline is a wonderful friend; it brings ease and comfort so quickly. For young and old, to overcome the minor ills that constantly arise in the home, nothing compares with "Nerviline."—35 cents at all dealers.

Great Business Methods

Paying U.S. in Liberty Bonds Saves Britain Nearly \$2,000,000

On December 15, Great Britain paid the United States \$92,000,000 interest and principal on the British debt, and payment was made in Liberty bonds, which was an alternative under the agreement. John Bull's financial astuteness is again shown. The Liberty bonds are acceptable at par, and have doubtless been bought up at a discount. It is said that the British Government will save by this method of payment from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000.—St. Catharine's Standard.

The oldest frame building in America is a meeting house in Maryland, built in 1681.

An excellent protection against worms can be got in Miller's Worm Powders. They render the stomach and intestines untenable to them. They heal the surfaces that have become inflamed by the attacks of the parasites and serve to restore the strength of the child that has been undermined by the draughts that the worms have made upon it, and that their operation is altogether health-giving.

Smoke Screen Boomerang

Airplane Can Use Smoke Screen In Attacking Battleships

The smoke screen devised as a defense for battleships against their enemies is now being used against them and instead of being a blessing is likely to prove the reverse. This smoke screen can now be spread above the battleships by fast, small planes which makes it impossible for the approach of the aerial bomb fleet to be observed. This enables the attacking planes to fly low, when with sensitive finders they pick up the doomed battleship by sound, adjust their aim and loose the bomb in safety except for the possibility of a chance shot fired blindly against the pal of smoke by the anti-aircraft guns on the ship below. It is a strange thing to find the screen employed as a weapon of offense against the very craft which originally produced it as a defensive measure.

A safe and sure medicine for a child troubled with worms is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

Moving Greenwich Observatory

Greenwich observatory known and used by the scientific world, is to be moved from Greenwich to Holmbury Hill. Electrification of a railway line running nearby necessitated the change. The observatory was built in 1675 for the advancement of navigation and nautical astronomy. "Greenwich time" is the world's standard.

Minard's Liniment for Dandruff

SUFFERED FROM SEVERE PIMPLES

On Face, Caused Intense Itching, Cuticura Heals.

"I suffered great annoyance from severe pimples on my face, which I attributed to the use of poor soap. The pimples were hard, red and rather large, and festered. They were scattered all over my face and caused intense itching and burning. My face looked unsightly. This condition lasted about two months.

"I read an advertisement for Cuticura Soap and Ointment and purchased some. I could see an improvement, and in two months I was healed." (Signed) Miss H. P. McArthur, Missoula, Prince Edward Island.

Beautiful your skin by daily use of Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Talcum. Sample Free by Mail. Address: "Cuticura, 1505 5th St. East, Montreal, Quebec, Canada." Soap 25c. Ointment 25c. Talcum 25c. Cuticura Soap shaves without mug.

Aid To Germany

Should Be Furnished Only On a Business Basis Says Coolidge

Any aid given Germany by the United States, should, in the opinion of President Coolidge, be furnished on a business basis rather than as a matter of charity.

This statement of the President's views, made at the White House after a conference between the executive and Ambassador Weidfeldt, of Germany, was taken as an indication that Mr. Coolidge would not at this juncture favor an appropriation for German relief such as that proposed in a bill introduced by Senator Lenroot, Republican, Wisconsin.

Mother! Give Sick Baby

"California Fig Syrup"

Harmless Laxative to Clean Liver and Bowels of Baby or Child

Even constipated, bilious, feverish, or sick, colic babies and children love to take genuine "California Fig Syrup." No other laxative regulates the tender little bowels so nicely. It sweetens the stomach and starts the liver and bowels acting without griping. Contains no narcotics or soothing drugs. Say "California" to your druggist and avoid counterfeits! Insist upon genuine "California Fig Syrup" which contains directions.

Crude Petroleum

The production of crude petroleum in Canada in 1922 amounted to 179,068 barrels, having a sales value of \$520,073. Government bounties on these sales amounted to \$91,013, making the total value \$611,176 to the producers. In 1921, the production was 187,541 barrels, having a total value of \$641,533. The average market value per barrel in 1922 was \$2.90, while in 1921 it was \$2.92.

ASPIRIN

Say "Bayer" and Insist!



Genuine

Unless you see the name "Bayer" on package or on tablets you are not getting the genuine Bayer product proved safe by millions and prescribed by physicians over twenty-three years for

Colds Headache
Toothache Lumbago
Earache Rheumatism
Neuralgia Pain, Pain

Accept "Bayer" Tablets of Aspirin only. Each unbroken package contains proper directions. Handy boxes of twelve tablets cost few cents. Druggists also sell bottles of 24 and 100. Aspirin is the trade mark (registered in Canada) of Bayer Manufacture of Monoacetylcelcoster of Salicylic Acid. While it is well known that Aspirin means Bayer manufacture, to assist the public against imitations the Tablets of Bayer Company will be stamped with their general trade mark, the "Bayer Cross."

W. N. U. 1608

WILL WAIT FOR A SOLUTION OF POLITICAL CRISIS

London.—The solution of the existing complex political crisis has gone over until January, with the government's decision to meet parliament when it reassembles. The only development was that the Labor party, by the official announcement of its various executives, placed on record its readiness to take office whenever called upon.

That the present government has no real hope of being able to retain office for any length of time is seen in its decision to do nothing either to replace or to find seats for the seven ministers defeated in the recent elections. The breathing space afforded by the government's decision to meet parliament is probably welcome to all three parties, as permitting opportunity for consideration and to take bearings without the necessity of committing themselves to immediate action.

Though the leaders of all parties repudiate any intention to seek any coalition, there will doubtless be attempts in the interim, upon the part of the ministerialists, to secure a sort of benevolent neutrality on the part of the Liberals towards the Conservative administration, and as the Liberals are almost as anxious as the Conservatives to keep the Laborites out of office, it would not be surprising to see some unofficial understanding of this kind arranged, especially as there is a general desire to avoid another general election in the near future.

In the meantime, however, the Labor party is taking no chances, and has instructed its electoral organization to prepare for any emergency at any moment.

Alberta Pool Making Satisfactory Progress

Troubles With Elevator Companies Are Being Gradually Eliminated

Regina.—More than one thousand carloads of wheat are being handled by the Alberta Co-operative Wheat Producers' Limited, and the business of the pool is progressing satisfactorily, according to information received by George W. Robertson, secretary of the Saskatchewan Wheat Producers, Limited.

"The troubles of the Alberta pool with the elevator companies are gradually being smoothed out," said Mr. Robertson, "and at present, the Alberta authorities have practically all the larger elevator companies working under agreement with them and practically every elevator point in the province is covered by at least one pool elevator. In the case of points not covered the contractors to the pool are mostly within hauling distance of some other point, where there is a pool elevator."

U.S. Is Buying More Wheat From Canada

Large Increase Registered During Past Three Months

Ottawa.—Exports of Canadian wheat last month showed an increase over those of November of 1922, but less wheat was shipped out of Canada for the past three months than during the similar period a year ago. For both periods, however, a large increase was registered in wheat bought by the United States. The United States bought 9,010,143 bushels of Canadian wheat last month compared with 3,866,178 bushels in November, 1922. While there was not much difference between the amount of wheat shipped to the United Kingdom last November, compared with November a year ago, exports for the comparative three months showed a falling off from 82,165,550 to 68,233,834 bushels.

SPOHN'S DISTILLED COMPOUND
Are your horses coughing or running at the nose? If so, give them "SPOHN'S." A valuable remedy for Coughs, Colds, Distemper, Influenza, Pink Eye and Worms among horses and mules. An occasional dose "tones" them up. Sold at all drug stores.

SPOHN MEDICAL CO. GOSHEN IND. U.S.A.

Premier of Australia Will Go To Ottawa

Ottawa.—Premier Bruce of Australia, has cabled here that he will arrive in Ottawa on January 31, and leave February 3. He is to sail from Vancouver on Feb. 1. It is intimated officially that the coming of the Australian premier to Ottawa is specifically to discuss with the Government arrangements for a reciprocal preferential treaty. Last winter, Hon. J. A. Robb visited Australia with that end in view, but owing to domestic political conditions in Australia little came of the mission. The outlook now is considered to be more favorable, particularly in view of the rejection by Great Britain of the wider Imperial preferential idea.

Carried Off Honors At Livestock Show

Numerous Premiums For Saskatchewan Exhibitors at Chicago and Toronto

Regina.—"Saskatchewan has good reason to feel elated with her successes at the Royal Agricultural Exposition at Toronto and the International Show at Chicago," declared George B. Williams, assistant agricultural agent for the Canadian Pacific Railway, on his arrival in the city.

"Many honors were carried off by this province in the face of exceedingly keen competition," he added. "In both livestock and grain Saskatchewan exhibitors obtained numerous premiums and undoubtedly much benefit will result as these fairs attracted thousands of people, especially agriculturists.

An interesting feature of the international show at Chicago was the attendance of 3,000 boys and girls representing the winners of boys and girls club competitions held in the various states. Capacity crowds were present throughout the show, thousands of people being turned away every day."

Infant Saved After Eleven Days

Bergamo, Italy.—A babe, four months old, with sunken eyes and too weak even to cry, was found by soldiers in its cradle floating down the river Lovere. The little victim of the recent dam disaster evidently had been drifting about on the river for eleven days without food or drink. Its pinched face told plainly of its suffering.

NEW PLAN FOR COLLECTIONS TO HELP FARMERS

Winnipeg.—That a plan should be devised whereby mortgage companies, banks and loan companies, etc., would make demands on farmer creditors for fulfillment of obligations in the spring, about March 1, instead of November 1, as at present, was a suggestion made by D. G. MacKenzie, Secretary of the United Farmers of Manitoba, when giving evidence before the Royal Grain Inquiry Commission here.

A system of the kind would lead to two things, Mr. MacKenzie declared. It would lead to a more orderly marketing of grain and eliminate dumping to a great extent, and would probably have the effect of stabilizing prices. It would also enable the farmer to do a great deal more cleaning of grain than he could do at the present, and more seedlings would be retained in the country, which would be a great factor in stimulating mixed farming. Mr. MacKenzie declared it was a great injustice to the farmer to force him to meet financial obligations early in November.

The secretary of the U.F.M. spoke in support of suggestions he made before the commission at Brandon for effecting improvements in the weighing, inspecting and marketing of grain. Speaking of the special charges made for special binning, Mr. MacKenzie asserted they were not high enough, and in losing money in this respect the operators of the country elevators took it out of the other farmers who sold on the "street."

W. N. U. 1508

WESTERN EDITORS



W. M. Davidson, Editor of The Morning Albertan, Calgary, Alta.

Britain Fighting Cattle Disease

Twenty Counties Affected and Daily Loss is \$350,000

London.—The slaughter of animals on a wholesale scale because of foot and mouth disease goes on steadily and animals to the value of at least £70,000 are being dispatched daily in the effort to stamp out the epidemic. A statement to this effect was made by Sir William Joynson-Hicks, minister of agriculture, in a speech. Although 20 counties are affected the worst centres are Shropshire and Cheshire, especially the latter, where more than 20 new cases are developing daily, thus necessitating the virtual devastation of every farm in the country where there is infection.

The officials of the ministry are experiencing difficulty in coping with the situation which is threatening to desolate Cheshire. A special cabinet committee has been appointed to deal with the scourge.

Italy Again Facing Flood

Rome.—After a few days of sunshine and fine weather, torrential rains are again flooding the country, and storms are capsizing many small vessels, especially off the shores of Sardinia. Light earth shocks indicate that water has penetrated into the craters of volcanoes and into the crevices of volcanic rocks.

Canada's Need Is A Strong National Spirit

Vancouver.—Greater population, lower transportation costs, development of a strong national spirit in Canada, and realization in the hearts and minds of individuals of the necessity for public economy—these are the necessities which Hon. T. A. Crerar sees essential to success and prosperity in Canada. Speaking before the Canadian Club here, he dealt with outstanding problems of Canada. While he did not "talk shop," barely mentioning the United Grain Growers, of which he is head, and the business which has brought him, with other officers of the company, to Vancouver to look into the possibilities of placing terminal elevator facilities in this port, he stated in definite terms his belief of the greatness of Vancouver as a grain port, and of British Columbia generally.

The Prince As a Farmer

Is Deservedly Most Popular Man in British Empire

London.—In a speech delivered at the dinner of the Farmers' Club and the Chamber of Agriculture, the Prince of Wales said: "You can look upon me as a farmer this evening—a farmer both at home and in Canada. I was very glad of the opportunity of going over to Canada and really learning something about agriculture. Many people who pass by fields of stock, for instance, have no idea of the hard work involved in raising them."

The Prince expressed sympathy with the British farmers' troubles and also admiration for the way they were holding on. He was sure the agricultural industry would emerge triumphant from the present trouble. The best British farmers had no equal in the world.

Lord Bledisloe, chairman, said the Prince was deservedly the most popular man in the British Empire. When he was in Canada they heard of Lord Renfrew grooming horses, cleaning out cow stalls, washing down cattle, driving the binder and taking part in the every day tasks of the agricultural worker because he wanted to learn first-hand what the agricultural worker had to contend with. He was giving the country squire a splendid lead in his conception of landowners and farmers.

MUST PIN FAITH ON LEAGUE SAYS HON. G. P. GRAHAM

Toronto.—Canada will do well to reaffirm her belief in the great organization of the League of Nations for ironing out difficulties that may arise or now exist, and for the prevention of bloodshed, declared Hon. George P. Graham, Minister of Railways and Canals, at a complimentary banquet tendered him here by the Liberals of Ontario on his return from Europe, where he sat as a delegate from Canada in the council of the League of Nations and the Imperial and Economic conferences in England.

"Our friends in the United States do not ignore the League of Nations, but rather use it when it can be of advantage," said Mr. Graham, who instanced the "sitting" in on the committee of Representative Porter of the United States when the opium question was under discussion.

Discussing the results of the overseas settlement negotiations at the Imperial Conference, Mr. Graham said that Canada could look for an increased flow of desirable British citizens to this country next year. Contrary to the general view, he said Canada absorbed a greater number of people from the British Isles each year than any of the other British Dominions, and indications are that she will absorb during the present year as many as any two other Dominions.

"From reports that have come to us," said Mr. Graham, "thousands of people who left Canada during the past year or two to find employment in the United States are returning."

In the matter of the Imperial preference, Mr. Graham said it was the opinion of the Canadian delegates that each entity in the Empire should have a sole right to say what its own tariff policy would be. It was pointed out that other overseas Dominions could much more readily throw down the bars against importation of manufactured goods and machinery than could Canada, placed as she was in a position where a large trade between Canada and the United States was found profitable.

Touching on the Canadian National Railways, Mr. Graham said that if the Canadian public accorded to the management of that enterprise fair treatment the deficits of operation will disappear.

Greater Menace Than War

Appalling Wastage of Life Through Tuberculosis Says Winnipeg Doctor

Montreal.—While 50,000 Canadians died overseas during the war 50,000 Canadians died uselessly and needlessly of tuberculosis at home and no armistice or treaty has put an end to that wastage of life. Tuberculosis, like war, kills at the prime of life those who are bearing the burden and heat of the day, those upon whom civic and business and industrial and family responsibility rest."

The above was the declaration of Dr. D. A. Stewart, of Winnipeg, in an address before the Rotary Club here. In Montreal, he said, one thousand persons die every year from tuberculosis, while in the province of Quebec the death rate from this disease is over 3,000 yearly. In Quebec also every town of 5,000 people loses six of its citizens each year, the death rate being 120 per 100,000. In Saskatchewan, the speaker stated, the death rate is 43, and in Ontario under 70.

London.—The unemployment situation has been steadily improving in recent weeks. Last week it decreased 24,000 and now the total number of unemployed is 1,195,000.

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GRAIN

Wheat, No. 1	\$.76
Wheat, No. 2	.73
Wheat, No. 3	.68
Wheat, No. 4	.63
Oats, Ex. 1 Feed	.23
Barley, No. 3	.43
Rye	.48
Hay, upland, ton	9.00

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Feeding steers, lb.	3c to 3 3-4c
Fat cows & Heifers	3 to 2 1-2c
Hogs	6 3-4c
Fat ewes	6 1-2c to 7c
Lambs	9 1-2c

DRESSED MEATS

Beef	6c to 8c
Veal	8c to 10c
Pork	9c to 10c
Mutton	14c

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Old hens	8c
Old roosters	6c
Hides	2 1-2c

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atchewan lignite coal industry are
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Germany.

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Buffalo tongues, tails and steaks
are to be served on Canadian Na-
tional diners on transcontinental
trains on and after January 15th, the
company having contracted for the
entire supply of tongues and tails
from the animals slaughtered at
Wainwright Buffalo Park this fall.
Buffalo steaks and roasts are being
served in hotels of the Canadian Na-
tional system.

GRAIN FROM VANCOUVER
Vancouver grain men are endeavor-
ing to send more than 14,000,000 bus-
hels of grain out of that port this
month. Deliveries at the Pacific
coast port by the Canadian National
railways during the present grain
movement season are eclipsing all
former records.

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Dominion government, the Wain-
wright Buffalo Park is now produc-
ing a substantial revenue for Can-
ada, according to A. S. Duclos, of
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the slaughter of the 2,000 surplus
animals in the park this fall. Good
prices are being received by the
government from the sale of meat,
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16th, 1924.

account of the inclement weather
the attendance was not as large as
had been expected. Those who did
attend expressed themselves as being
well repaid for putting forth the
special effort to be present.

The friends who attended were
highly gratified with the address of
welcome given by the Sunday School
President, and the congenial hos-
pitality of the homes to which they
were billeted. Such meetings al-
ways bring great blessing to a com-
munity in which they are held. We
hope to see more conventions of this
nature in the different communities
where it is possible to do so.

Rev. J. E. Bender,

Rev. G. Knechle,

Miss V. Herber,
Publishing Committee.

COFFEE IN MANITOBA

The proposal to make coffee from
Manitoba grain has been put forward
by C. E. Fehl, of Rosenfeld Man.,
who has asked the Winnipeg Board
of Trade to help him patent his idea.

HEAVY GRAIN LOADINGS

An increase of more than 25,000,000
bushels is shown in the amount of
grain loaded over the Canadian Na-
tional Railways throughout the west
since the opening of the season on
September 1st as compared with the
corresponding period of last season.



THIS photograph shows the presidential party of the Canadian Pacific Railway taken on board the Princess Louise before they sailed for Skagway, while on their tour of inspection over the company's lines. In the back row, from left to right, are Mr. F. W. Molson, Mr. J. K. Ross, Sir Herbert Holt and Mr. W. N. Tilley, K.C. In the front row, left to right, are Vice-President D. C. Coleman, Sir Augustus Nanton, President E. W. Beatty and Captain J. W. Troup.

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hunting grounds.
2. The head of the bull which answered
the guide's call 2.

Page (for the Trout Lake Country),
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Thessalon, Desbarats, Mattawa,
North Bay, Sturgeon Falls and Cartier
are well favored. Moose are
plentiful in Ontario in the country
along the main line of the Canadian
Pacific from Sudbury to the Mani-
toba boundary, especially near Mete-
gama, Biscotasing, Chapleau, Mis-
sanabie, Frans, Jack Fish, Schreiber,
Rosport, Nipigon, Savanne, Ignace,
Dinorwic, Wabigoon, and Kenora,
and, in Quebec, in the St. Maurice,
Lake Edward, Lake Megantic, Mani-
waki, Timiskaming and Kipawa dis-
tricts.

Caribou, in Quebec, may now be
found only in the remote northern
sections, and, in Ontario, on the
islands of Lake Superior and round
Rosport, Schreiber and Nipigon, on
the mainland.

From all these districts come
stories of wonderful luck which will
thrill the pulses of every hunter.
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H. McCreary, of Montreal, and Mr.
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New York, regular patrons of the
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some days ago from Grey Rocks Inn,
Lyng Inlet, Pakesley, French River,

sometimes referred to as Lac le
Crolx, they met several cow moose
and an immense bull. But the climax
came when another splendid bull
obligingly took up a position within
50 yards of their tent. The first
shot from the doctor's trusty rifle
brought him down and Mr. O'Keefe
finished him off.

Again, from F. W. Arnott's Im-
p Camp, 30 miles up Lake Timi-
kaming from Timkaming Station,
at the mouth of Kipawa River, word
comes of how Mr. J. A. Cavanagh,
of New York, got his moose within
an hour and a half of leaving camp,
and was back within two hours and
a half. Next morning while the
animal was being skinned, another
big moose calmly watched the opera-
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BURNSIDE

Mr. Lloyd Munson is home from Seattle where he has been spending the holidays visiting friends.

BORN:—On Sunday, December 6, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, a son.

Messrs Noah Eckel and Herman Ohlsen took in the Regina-Calgary hockey game in Calgary Monday evening.

Mr. George Metz is our new school trustee. The board consists of Messrs Mardon, Rist and Metz now.

Mrs. Tom Finlay is spending some time in Calgary the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Archie Lynch. Her daughter Nola accompanied her.

Burnside U. F. A. held its annual meeting in Jutland school on Friday evening last. After the usual business, officers were elected for the current year as follows: Pres. Fred Boulton; Vice. Pres. Hugh McLean; Secy.-Treas. Mrs. Noah Eckel. Directors: Noah Eckel; George Burns; Sam McAllister; Allie Dawson; Lloyd Hehn. Auditor, George Burns. Social Committee: Enoch Dawson; Mrs. Burns; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hehn and Jas. McCullough. Membership drive committee: Ed. Lieseinar; Alie Dawson; H. McLean and John Burns. Mr. J. G. Dawson the retiring President who is quitting because of ill health was given a hearty vote of thanks for his services during the two years he held the office. The Secretary, Mrs. Noah

Eckel was also tendered a vote of thanks. After the business was concluded Doc. Steiss favored the audience with a solo accompanied on the organ by Mrs. John Hunter.

ALBERTA COAL FOR— PACIFIC STEAMERS

Announcement has been made that the Board of Harbor Commissioners at Vancouver will erect coal bunkers costing half a million to provide for handling of Alberta and Eastern B. C. coal. This announcement crowns with success the efforts which have been under way for the past two years by Premier Green,

field, who realized the possibility of a new outlet for Alberta steam coal in its use on Pacific steamers, and who has had H. Stutchbury, Trade Commissioner, employed on the matter. The Alberta Government official together with several coal companies, have conducted tests to establish the feasibility of Alberta steam coal for use on marine engines, and these tests have been satisfactory.

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CENTRE—Exterior of latest model observation car as used by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

BELOW are interior views of the same luxurious car.

because it was almost impossible to enjoy what was going on around, or that through which the voyager was passing as he was confined to a hard, narrow seat for hours, with no comfort other than the thought that perhaps the end of the journey would bring relief.

When the operation of railroads ceased to be an experiment and it was realized that the future of the country depended upon their development, the railway companies realized that the tourist traffic was a source of revenue to be cultivated, and the first observation coaches were introduced. These were little more than glorified day coaches with an open platform at the rear. Soon, however, the demand by tourists for special accommodation became so insistent, that special equipment had to be constructed for them. During the past few years, the magnificent observation cars such as are used on the Canadian Pacific have been evolved, and these, together with the modern all steel compartment and other cars ensure the traveller such comfort that to travel is a delight.

There is now no convenience possible which the traveller does not enjoy. While traversing the Rockies he may use the regular coaches, or, during the summer, the open observation cars. The observation coaches, as used elsewhere, enable him to see the country he passes through, from a comfortable chair. Special smoking rooms are also provided.

In all things pertaining to railroad travel and convenience the railways of Canada have set the pace for those of other parts of the continent.

NO railroad on the Continent of America is much more than a century old, yet it seems, and is indeed, a far cry to the days of the old horse-drawn railway vehicles and the open cars drawn by the first locomotives, which superseded them. Perhaps no country in the world has railroad engineering made such progressive strides as in Canada during the last half century. As late as 1870-73 the Quebec Government encouraged development by building railways entirely of wood. The rails were of straight grained hard maple, 12 feet in length, but the knots were weak spots which often caused the rail to break and occasion a delay of, perhaps, hours. In wet weather no progress could be made at all and there are not a few living today who remember having to help the fireman and engineer load up with wood in order to speed their travel.

What a far cry it is, from the old cars, exposed to the elements at all times, or boxed in so that fresh air was at a premium, to the luxurious parlor, sleeping, compartment and observation cars of today. Canada had just as much scenery in the old days as it has now, the same glorious expanses and wooded hillsides, the same wonderful peaks and splendid rivers, yet Canadian scenery could not be "sold" then,

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CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

Christmas Day fell on a Saturday last year, and to that fact we owed Teddy's visit. He came out Friday night and returned to the city Monday morning.

That, my first country Christmas, is another occasion that will always be green in my memory, for it was a very happy time, in spite of the little ache of homesickness that underlay the jollity. But I had so much to be thankful for, and the children were in so mad a state of excitement that I should have been callous indeed had not the spirit of the season touched me.

For a week before the great day itself we were very busy. It took Murray and the twins and me a whole afternoon to find exactly the tree we wanted, and then it had to be cut and brought home with appropriate ceremonies. We cut other spruce boughs for decorations and Jean showed us a place where the pretty red-berried wintergreen grew, so by Friday night the living-room was ready for Teddy and Santa Claus.

Friday evening we all went into Spruce Creek to meet Teddy and to attend the Christmas entertainment prepared by Mrs. Carsdale and her pupils. Saturday morning we had our own Christmas tree and at one o'clock our dinner, the Cameron boys helping us to make short work of the big goose we had bought from Mrs. Gagnon. While Jim and I were washing the dishes Murray and Bob and Teddy took the children out for a run and early in the evening our guests went home and the twins to bed—after which Murray and Teddy and I discussed the affairs of the universe until midnight. Sunday morning Teddy inspected everything on the place—and was as enthusiastic over our improvements as the most exacting amateur could ask—and after dinner we drove into Spruce Creek to church, the student from Manitoba College who had been there in the summer having come out to hold Christmas services. It was good to be in church again and to sing the old Christmas hymns, and Murray and I promised ourselves that when Mr. Bonar returned in the spring we would never miss a Sunday. It was hard to drive away afterwards and leave Teddy behind us at the Bolling House, however.

I think all our friends remembered us that Christmas. Teddy came laden with bundles and each half day for two weeks brought a pile of letters and parcels. It seemed as if everyone had feared that we would feel lonely and had set out to prove that we had not been forgotten. Mr. Her-

rington wrote a characteristically amusing letter to Murray and sent a boat to Rupert and a Belgian doll to Nicolas. Cousin Margaret sent two pairs of small-sized snowshoes, and Mandie a beautifully dressed doll for Nicolas and a Tinker Toy for Rupert. Teddy brought me the Blue Canton I have wanted for years, ties and a pair of slippers for Murray, and a heartless wretch that he is—a drum and a bugle for the twins.

Even our new friends were thoughtful, we had cards from several of the Spruce Creek people and Gwen Severn gave me beautiful lace handkerchief. And as for the children, even Cousin Margaret's snowshoes were forgotten for a few minutes when the Cameron boys arrived with an endearingly clumsy Collie puppy who, after much thought on the part of the twins and many inappropriate suggestions from Teddy, was named "Waggles."

On the Wednesday between Christmas and New Year's Day the Mowbrays gave a party. Even their big house was crowded, and we had a wonderful time. All of us who had children took them with us, of course. Mrs. Mowbray had prepared for that. The biggest bedroom had been cleared for the children and they had their games and their supper there. And when little Molly Severn and Victoria Gagnon and the Willett baby felt the Sandman coming they were put to sleep and laid carefully away in Jean's big bed in Sandy's outgrown crib, their mother afterwards going calmly on with their own affairs.

The Torrances were there—Mr. Torrance is station agent—Mr. and Mrs. Wright from the mill, Mrs. Bolling and Mrs. Kristiansen came together as neither of their husbands could get away. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson brought Mr. Macleod and Mr. Manson with them—in fact, if we except the Bollings and Ah Sing, who has the restaurant, all Spruce Creek was represented. And from the farms came the Severns and the Fenwicks and the Aylwells, Harry Atkinson and his Belgian wife, Jim and Bob Cameron, the Farrels and the Buckleys, Mr. and Mrs. Gagnon and the baby.

And such fun as we did have. I had not danced so much for years for I was never allowed to rest, not even in the square dances that muddled me so hopelessly. As usual in our gatherings the women were very much in the minority, but that was not allowed to worry us. Sandy and the Farrels borrowed all-over aprons from Jean and filled in very nicely! It was very foolish and childish, no doubt, but our hostess was the youngest of us all and she sent us into fits of laughter when she exclaimed feelingly, "This is just the size of family I'd like to have all the time!"

We missed Mrs. Carsdale, who had gone to Winnipeg for the holidays, Jean against the background of her own home came out of her shell in a manner that surprised even me.

I must be a rather stupid person in some ways, for I had another surprise that night. I knew, of course, that Jim Cameron spent a great deal of his spare time at the Mowbray home, and that Bob teased him about it in a general sort of way, but that there was anything serious in prospect I had never suspected until the night of the party.

As the one unmarried girl in the district Jean naturally received a great deal of attention from the lone and hungry bachelors, and her calm and impersonal way of accepting it had always amused me. Another girl might have been accused of playing them off one against the other, but not Jean. She was too natural and too single-minded for anything of that sort—though possibly her impartial friendliness had the same effect in the end!

But the night of the party it was ob-

vious even to me that Jim was a lap ahead of the other men. Whether the Christmas season was responsible or the excitement, or the fact that Jean was in her own home I do not know, but at all events while Jean distributed her dances strictly in rotation it was Jim who helped her and Mrs. Mowbray to serve the supper, who with the Mowbray boys cleared the rooms for dancing, and who was always at Jean's elbow when she wanted anything done. It was not so much what he did as the way in which he did it—he had helped me in the same way many times—and equally significant was Jean's manner of accepting his services. When a girl like Jean begins to mother a man like Jim something is bound to happen, and while I had from the first been fond of Jim I was not sure that he was quite good enough for Jean.

One thing Murray and I both noticed and laughed at on our way home, was that Mrs. Mowbray tried in vain to keep him in his place, her soft heart and Jim's firm conviction that everybody loved him being obstacles equally difficult to overcome. Mrs. Mowbray, I think, rather favored Mr. Macleod, perhaps because he was older and more a man of the world, perhaps because, mother-like, she wanted Jean to have an easier life than her's had been. But in spite of her clever generalship Jim outplayed her, and Jean's half-shy, half-amused acceptance of his undisguised admiration was wholly adorable—and very dangerous.

Although I laughed at her I could sympathize with Mrs. Mowbray. Jim I felt, was a dear, but so impulsive and susceptible that I could not but feel that Jean would be rather wasted on him and would be more deeply appreciated by an older and sturdier man. It was not until long after this that Jean and I ever discussed the matter, not until trouble came and she turned to me for the sympathy that she could not ask of her mother, and then I found that she saw as clearly as we did, but that she knew what she wanted and would be satisfied with nothing else. And now I am inclined to believe that Time will prove her right. Nature does seem to be wiser in these affairs than even the most well-meaning parents and friends.

Jim, as might have been expected, confided in me at the first opportunity, when I was unkind enough to remind him of some former confidence relating to a girl in England and to one who had taught in Spruce Creek before Mrs. Carsdale came.

"Oh, but that was different," he assured me, "I was only a kid then."

"You are only a kid now," I pointed out, "and so is Jean for that matter. Better stick to your farms for the next few years, don't run the risk of spoiling a perfectly good friendship."

Then it all came out. He knew he wasn't good enough for Jean, and he guessed she knew it too, and he wouldn't have anything to offer a girl like her for years and years. But he hated to see those older chaps hanging around her—why didn't they go after something of their own age? There were lots of widows and old maids who'd jump at a man like Macleod.

"I'll not be in a position to marry until I'm old and feeble, I suppose," he said gloomily. "About twenty years from now I'll be coming around here after Nicolas and making the young fellows sore. You'd make a peach of a mother-in-law, Mrs. Aylwin, honest, you would," he finished with a return to his usual manner.

We had scarcely settled ourselves after the Christmas celebrations when the twins, in company with half the juvenile population of Spruce Creek, came down with mumps. Murray used to say they got it off Mrs. Carsdale's Christmas tree, and no doubt he was right. The Severn children had it, too, and even some of the grown-ups who had not taken the precaution to acquire immunity in their schooldays.

I do not know why people speak of the mumps as if it were a joke, I certainly shall never do so again after the experience I went through with Rupert. The poor little fellow was so very ill for a few days, and his temperature was so high that I should have given half of my kingdom for twenty minutes of Dr. Sutherland's time. The disease quickly ran its course, but I have thought since how terrible must be the anxiety of an inexperienced mother who has to nurse her children through one of the really dangerous diseases. We are too dependent, we modern women, on nurses and doctors and the knowledge we can obtain at need from other people. All I knew about the treatment of mumps was what I could remember. Mother doing for me when I had it.

Nicolas had so weirdly, swollen a face that she had to laugh at herself, but she was never ill as Rupert was. In fact, I am inclined to believe that she rather enjoyed the experience, for after she was able to be out of bed she derived an immense amount of satisfaction from "taking care of poor Brother," and she was made glowingly happy by her nurse's cap and apron, even though the cap was usually cocked over one eye.

I do not think I have ever put it on record that Nicolas is not a conspicuously pretty child—Rupert is our pride beauty—but both Murray and I

feel sure that she will never lose the charm that has been a part of her since her baby days—a charm that is partly made up of the way in which everything she puts on her head is sure to cast a shadow over one eye, eventually, partly of her half-mischievous, half-confiding expression, partly of the light grace and daintiness of very movement. She is so much like Murray even now that I believe she will grow better-looking as she grows older. But just at present her little face is sweet and attractive rather than pretty, with its halo of soft fair hair, eyes almost too big for their setting, wide mouth tucked well up and in at the corners, and firm little chin with the ghost of a dimple.

(To be continued)

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How America Was Named

Before White Men Came, Indians Called Country "Amaroke"

Discussion is again rife as to why this continent was named "America." Opinions vary as to how it happens that its people are called Americans, many crediting the fact entirely to this continent having been discovered by and named for Americus Vespucci, the son of a wealthy Florentine notary. This is based on the belief that the name America comes from Amera or Americh, an old German word spread through Europe by the Goths and softened in Latin to America and in Italian to Amerigo.

However, it is pointed out on the other hand that the origin may have been entirely native. Ask any old Indian medicine man what was the name of this country before the white man came, and he will invariably say "Amaroke." This has been written in no book for him, has not been drilled into his mind by any white man, but has been handed down from generation to generation, and the fact is well established among searchers of history of today.

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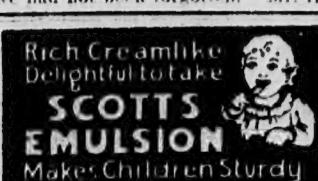
Value of Settlers' Effects

Though the number of immigrants to Canada this year is much larger than last they are not bringing with them as much in effects. The arrivals in September were 107 per cent. over those for the same month last year, but the value of their effects was \$107,000 less. For the six months ending September the value of settlers' effects that came in was \$3,366,622, or over \$400,000 below that for the same period last year. On the other hand 48,000 more immigrants had been received.

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AROUND THE TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. H. Morgan spent the week end in Calgary.

Mr. Geo. Thompson was a visitor in Calgary on Tuesday.

Mrs. E. E. Freeman was a visitor in Calgary last week end.

Miss K. Austin and Mr. W. A. Austin spent the week end in Calgary.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. H. Hawkes took advantage of the good roads to motor to Calgary.

The Rebeccas were hostesses at a turkey supper given for the Oddfellows on Wednesday evening at which an enjoyable time was had by all present.

Messrs T. Siddon, A. Little and A. McNaughton and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Liesemer were among those who took in the pro hockey game in Calgary on Monday night.

Under the auspices of the Mountain View Women's Institute an interesting paper on "Citizenship" will be read with a discussion following it. A musical program will be held at Community Hall January 25th.

Mr. Dave Shepherd was visiting in Calgary this week.

The Carstairs hockey team came up here on Monday night to play hockey but the game had to be postponed on account of a snowstorm.

BORN:—At the Didsbury General Hospital on Monday, December 16th, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Swingle, a daughter.

BORN:—At the Didsbury General Hospital Sunday, January 6th, 1924, to Mr. and Mrs. J. McKenna, a daughter.

BORN:—At the Didsbury General Hospital, Friday January 11th, 1924, to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ryan, a daughter.

COAL SHIPMENTS TO ONTARIO

Alberta has shipped approximately 51,000 tons of coal to Ontario markets during the past year, according to figures supplied by H. Stutchbury, Alberta Trade Commissioner. The campaign conducted by the government to make Alberta coal popular in Ontario has met with immense success. The matter of securing a permanent low freight rate on the Alberta coal to the Eastern market is still under negotiation between Premier Greenfield and the officials of the C. N. R.

A Letter

The Editor,

Didsbury Pioneer.

Dear Sir:—In the "Rugby and District," column of your issue of the 2nd. inst., a note re the lack of a Christmas Entertainment at Rugby school catches my eye. I wonder whether your correspondent would object to answering a few pertinent questions put by an outsider?

In the first place, who missed the said entertainment most, the children or their dance-loving elders? I have my own suspicions.

Secondly, was the correspondent, (he or she), ever a school teacher in a rural school containing nine grades? I very much doubt it or that note would not have been written.

I note one item which rather has me heated; that re the Department of Education's mush. Does this indicate that the rural schools are adding Household Science to their already overloaded curriculum? Or is it a reference to some obscure detail of the domestic economy of the Hon. Perrin Baker, Minister of Education?

I must say that I rather admire the courage of the young man teaching the school in question in calmly ignoring the local precedent and "sticking to his knitting" in the prosy task of attempting to implant some germs of knowledge in the grey matter of an average nine grad. rural school.

As I read your note I was prone to say with my national poet (Burns) "A chiel's amang us takin' notes."

Hope the chiel in question will see this and that other teachers will arouse his umbrage in the same way.

Yours,

Ex Teacher.

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